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1. REFTEL A REPORTED ON RECENT MEETING WITH MINISTER  
OF ECONOMY WIDJOJO IN WHICH HE EXPRESSED INTEREST IN  
BILATERAL CONSULTATIONS REGARDING ARRANGEMENTS FOR RE-  
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SUMING NEGOTIATIONS ON THE COMMON FUND. AT AN APPROPRIATE  
TIME, THE EMBASSY MAY RESPOND TO WIDJOJO ALONG THE  
FOLLOWING LINES:

2. WE SHARE INDONESIA'S INTEREST IN WORKING OUT ARRANGE-  
MENTS THAT WOULD ASSURE A POSITIVE OUTCOME ON ANY RE-

SUMED NEGOTIATING SESSION. WE UNDERSTAND THAT UNCTAD SECRETARY GENERAL COREA HAS BEGUN A SERIES OF INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS WITH KEY COUNTRIES, INCLUDING INDONESIA, ON POSSIBLE ELEMENTS OF A MUTUALLY AGREEABLE FRAMEWORK FOR RESUMPTION. WE LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING WITH COREA IN MID-FEBRUARY IN WASHINGTON.

3. COREA'S TASK MAY BE DIFFICULT. THE GROUP OF 77 REQUESTED SUSPENSION OF THE SECOND COMMON FUND NEGOTIATING SESSION BECAUSE THE U.S. AND OTHER KEY INDUSTRIALIZED COUNTRIES WOULD NOT AGREE IN PRINCIPLE TO CERTAIN ELEMENTS OF THE GROUP OF 77 POSITION. SUBSEQUENTLY, AT THE 32ND UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY SESSION, THE GROUP OF 77 AGAIN EMPHASIZED THE FUNDAMENTAL NATURE OF ITS DIFFERENCES WITH THOSE COUNTRIES. TO OUR KNOWLEDGE THE G-77 HAS NOT SINCE QUALIFIED OR MODERATED ITS DEMAND FOR PRECOMMITMENTS IN PRINCIPLE PRIOR TO RESUMING NEGOTIATIONS.

4. WE INTEND TO TELL MR. COREA THAT WE WOULD BE WILLING TO RESUME NEGOTIATIONS IF A MUTUALLY ACCEPTABLE FRAMEWORK CAN BE WORKED OUT. LIKE INDONESIA WE WOULD QUESTION THE VALUE OF RESUMING NEGOTIATIONS WITHOUT SOME ASSURANCE THAT THEY WILL HAVE A REASONABLE CHANCE OF SUCCEEDING. AT THE SAME TIME, WE WILL STRESS TO COREA THAT (1) WE CANNOT ACCEPT PRE-CONDITIONS FOR A RESUMPTION OF THE NEGOTIATIONS AND THUS THERE SHOULD BE NO EXPECTATION OF CHANGES IN THE INDUSTRIALIZED COUNTRIES' POSITION  
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BETWEEN NOW AND ANY RESUMPTION; (2) OUR OWN POSITION IS SEVERELY CONSTRAINED; (3) OUR EVALUATION OF THE PROSPECTS FOR A FRUITFUL THIRD ROUND OF NEGOTIATIONS WILL BE INFLUENCED BY SIGNS OF A LESS RIGID POSTURE ON THE PART OF THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

5. ONCE WE HAVE HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO ASSESS THE RESULTS OF COREA'S INITIAL ROUND OF CONSULTATIONS WE PLAN TO ENGAGE IN A SERIES OF BILATERALS WITH KEY MEMBERS OF THE G-77 INCLUDING INDONESIA. ACCORDINGLY, WE WOULD SUGGEST THAT FOLLOWING COMPLETION OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL'S CONSULTATIONS, THE U.S. AND INDONESIA DISCUSS POSSIBLE DATES FOR BILATERAL DISCUSSIONS. VANCE

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